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CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff/Appellee,

V.

GERVER EVENILSO-CRUZ,

Defendant/Appellant.

No. 05-10471

D.C. No. CR-04-2574-TUC-RCC

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Arizona Raner C. Collins, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted April 7, 2006**
San Francisco, California

Before: SILER,*** BERZON, and BYBEE, Circuit Judges.

After being convicted of second-degree criminal sexual assault, Evenilso-

Cruz was removed from the United States in 2004. He subsequently returned to

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This panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

^{***} The Honorable Eugene E. Siler, Jr., Senior United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, sitting by designation.

the United States and was convicted of illegal reentry under 8 U.S.C. § 1326. On June 14, 2005, the district court considered many mitigating factors and ultimately sentenced Evenilso-Cruz to thirty months in custody and three years of supervised release. Evenilso-Cruz appealed his sentence.

After *United States v. Booker*, 543 U.S. 220 (2005), this Court reviews a district court's sentence for "unreasonableness." *United States v. Cantrell*, 433 F.3d 1269, 1279 (9th Cir. 2005). Congress enumerated seven factors, in 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a), which a court is to consider when determining the reasonableness of a sentence. The district court in this case expressly considered all seven factors when imposing Evenilso-Cruz's sentence. Nevertheless, Evenilso-Cruz argues that his sentence is unreasonable because the district court failed to exercise its discretion and simply sentenced him as it would have under the pre-*Booker*, mandatory sentencing regime. However, the record contradicts Evenilso-Cruz's claim.

Not only did the district court advise Evenilso-Cruz, on more than one occasion, that the sentencing guidelines were merely advisory, but the district court expressly considered all statutorily required mitigating factors and ultimately imposed a sentence far below that which the sentencing guidelines suggested.

Accordingly, Evenilso-Cruz's claim that the district court failed to exercise its

discretion, and therefore imposed an unreasonably high sentence, is without merit.

The district court's decision is AFFIRMED.